

**§ 11.422 Tonnage limitations and qualifying requirements for endorsements as master or mate of vessels of not more than 200 gross tons.**

(a) Except as noted in paragraph (e), all endorsements issued for master or mate of vessels of not more than 200 gross tons are issued in 50 gross ton increments based on the applicant's qualifying experience. The endorsement is limited to the maximum tonnage on which at least 25 percent of the required experience was obtained, or 150 percent of the maximum tonnage on which at least 50 percent of the service was obtained, whichever is higher. Limitations are in multiples of 50 gross tons using the next higher figure when an intermediate tonnage is calculated.

(b) The tonnage limitation on these endorsements may be raised upon completion of:

(1) At least 45 days of additional service on deck on a vessel of a higher tonnage for a tonnage increase on a mate's endorsement; or,

(2) At least 90 days of additional service on deck on a vessel of a higher tonnage for a tonnage increase on a master's endorsement; or,

(3) Additional service, which, when combined with all previously accumulated service, will qualify the applicant for a higher tonnage officer endorsement under the basic formula; or,

(4) Six months additional service in the deck department on vessels within the highest tonnage increment on the officer's license or MMC endorsement. In this case, the tonnage limitation may be raised one increment.

(c) When the service is obtained on vessels upon which no personnel need an officer endorsement or license, the OCMI must be satisfied that the nature of this qualifying service (i.e., size of vessel, route, equipment, etc.) is a reasonable equivalent to the duties performed on vessels which are required to engage individuals with officer endorsements.

(d) Service gained in the engine room on vessels of not more than 200 gross tons may be creditable for up to 25 percent of the deck service requirements for mate.

(e) When the qualifying service is obtained upon vessels of five gross tons or

less, the officer endorsement will be limited to vessels of not more than 25 gross tons.

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**§ 11.424 Service requirements for master of ocean steam or motor vessels of not more than 200 gross tons.**

(a) The minimum service required to qualify an applicant for an officer endorsement as master of ocean steam or motor vessels of not more than 200 gross tons is:

(1) Three years total service on ocean or near coastal waters. Service on Great Lakes and inland waters may substitute for up to 18 months of the required service. Two years of the required service must have been as master, mate, or equivalent supervisory position while holding a license or MMC endorsement as master, as mate, or as operator of uninspected passenger vessels; or,

(2) Two years total service as a master or mate of ocean or near-coastal towing vessels. Completion of a limited examination is also required.

(b) In order to obtain an officer endorsement for sail or auxiliary sail vessels, the applicant must submit evidence of 12 months of service on sail or auxiliary sail vessels. The required 12 months of service may have been obtained prior to issuance of the master's license or MMC endorsement.

(c) In addition to any required examination, the applicant must comply with the requirements listed in § 11.401(g).

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**§ 11.426 Service requirements for master of near coastal steam or motor vessels of not more than 200 gross tons.**

(a) The minimum service required to qualify an applicant for an endorsement as master of near coastal steam or motor vessels of not more than 200 gross tons is:

(1) Two years total service on ocean or near coastal waters. Service on